

will soon be called upon to do the work if any is done at all. The work of all works for the older brethren to do is to establish a good system of work for the younger brethren to take hold of. There is brother Perry, Isaac Bowman, Bro. Ditch, Cober, Miller, Hildebrand, Plummer, Tombaugh, Shook, Shively, Knepper, and others who do not drop in just now, who are blooming into able and vigorous manhood, and will do an immense work in the future if they are started in the true path. But the scheming and back-biting which some old ministers are engaging in is a scathing shame and withering upon the minds of worthy young men who are taking hold of the noblest work of all creation with a zeal that is according to knowledge. These things will come home to roost on the guilty, and those who should be blameless, and patterns of gravity, patience, forbearance, devoutness and righteousness, and are not.

The instructions that Christ gave to the twelve, when he sent them out, was to be wise as serpents and harmless as doves. They were sent as sheep amidst wolves. Their work was to make sheep out of the wolves—in character. But when a wolf is in sheep's clothing he certainly will not do the work of an evangelist very perfectly. Character making, in the good sense, is a blessed work, and this is what the true evangelist does.

We take this interesting account of sister Lottie and brother S. J. Holsinger's wedding, from the South Bend Daily Tribune:

"The public wedding at the Brethren church on south Michigan street, Sunday night, was something out of the regular order, either of weddings or church services something after the old Quaker customs, and perhaps on that account attracted such a large attendance. Long before the hour of appointment every available seat was occupied, and when the bride and bridegroom arrived the house was so densely packed that it was difficult to open up a way for them through the crowd. They were late, the sermon being well begun when they entered. However, the minister proceeded without interruption, and in the usual way. It was one of the pastor's best, and had been reserved for the occasion, but was altered on account of the discomfort of the auditors. Then two stanzas of the hymn, 'Rock of Ages' were sung, after which the minister stepped off the pulpit, and immediately in front of it was met by the contracting party, and began in a clear and distinct voice, the brief service which made the 'twain one flesh.' The ceremony was brief and to the point. The bride was plainly but neatly attired, all gaud and show having been studiously avoided from principle. She is the daughter of the pastor, Miss Lottie Holsinger, and is well known among the christian and temperance people of the city, being president of the Young Women's Christian Temperance Union of South Bend, and superintendent of the Brethren Sunday school, with whom she is a great favorite. Mr. S. J. Holsinger, esq., the bridegroom, is a young attorney, from Sacramento, California, and has practiced law in Arkansas and Iowa. He has been admitted to the supreme courts of Iowa, which admits him to practice in all the courts of the Union. He is also a christian gentleman, a member of the Brethren church, and of the Y. M. C. A., and was a delegate of the latter at the convention at San Francisco this summer. The young couple expect to locate at Los Angeles, California, after a brief visit among their friends and relatives."

The students are gathering in at the College and the work commenced in earnest yesterday.

This week we have been pressed so with work, that we could not gather the items together as we should have done.

We wonder what has become of the camp meeting at the Bear Creek church, that we hear nothing from it.

#### Maurertown, Va.

On the 17th, we enjoyed a communion meeting with the Brethren at Roanoke. Bro. C. Nininger, Elder in charge of this congregation, has just recovered from a protracted illness, during which time there was no one to fill his place in church work. He, feeling the importance of having a communion meeting gave but little notice to an assistant and less to his charge; but when we arrived, notice was given to all and soon they rallied round the place of worship. But for the short and dark nights we should have continued our meeting. We had but three meetings and one baptism, which was somewhat novel. After the communion we accompanied Bro. Ed. Nininger and wife to their comfortable home on the Valley railroad on one side and Tinker creek on the other. Here

we found a lady friend of our brother's family, who had been meditating upon the "perfect law of liberty" and seeing she could walk more fully after the teaching of Jesus in the Brethren church and enjoy the doctrine as understood by her excellent husband whose Christian life is so guided by the wisdom from above which is "without hypocrisy or partiality," as to see no middle wall of partition in the branches of the Dunkard church. Would to God that all would drink from the fountain of peace, love and meekness, then the mist would roll away. At the hour of 10 on the night of the 18th, Bro. and Sister Nininger, Sister Haden, with Bro. Garber and wife, invoked a blessing upon us and in behalf of our sister and then by the aid of a lantern (for it was very dark) this little band could have been seen wending its way down to the fording place a few hundred yards distant, where Sister Garber received triune immersion. Indeed it was an impressive scene, as well as a happy hour to all. A few hours more and the north-bound train was carrying the writer homeward. This church is desirous for an assistant in the ministry with their elders. They are willing to give financial aid to a good live worker. Only such, who are firm in the faith, upright in life, need apply. I would say to all, this charge would be a pleasant home with many good people. I know no place where I would rather work than with our Roanoke brethren. Indeed I almost feel like going down there myself, but why talk that way when there is so much to be done here, a house of worship to build, four or five protracted meetings to be held, go to the convention—all to be done this fall yet, and how is it all to be done? I am almost played out just now.

E. B. SHAVER.

#### Dunlaps, Ind.

Aug. 25.—It has been some time since we reported from this part of God's vineyard. I wish to say to all interested that we are still pressing onward toward the prize, both as individuals and as a body. Peace within and so far as we are concerned, at peace without. By the help of God we are endeavoring as much as in us lies to live at peace with all men. Nothing so becomes an individual professing Christ, as a forgiving spirit and a disposition to labor for peace. What is true of individuals, is true of the church, because composed of individuals.

That we love one another is the touch-stone by which the world tries us, to know if we are Christians. Brethren can we let them apply the test to us? What if when they do they should find envy, hatred; jealousy instead of love? are we then Christ's? can we then boast of our creed, our church and our religion? Shame to the man who would glory in these things. If we must glory let us glory in that we are able to suffer wrong for the cause of Christ. For our righteousness is of him and not of ourselves. Let us glory in this that we are able to overcome all sin both within and without. By so doing we can show to the world that there is a divine reality in the religion of Jesus and that we, individuals or church, are founded upon the

true rock, the Bible and the Bible only.

Actions speak louder than words. I believe in an active religion rather than a professed one. Jesus still lives and reigns in the hearts of people and will now as of old show by deeds rather than by words, that he is the Christ. That this he will do for us if we are willing to give up self and selfish motives.

I notice that Bro. Hildebrand in the last EVANGELIST takes strong exceptions to a creed. Think he has struck the right note. I was pleased that he explained so thoroughly the difference between a creed and a system. I find most people confound the two and because they condemn a creed they serve system with like condemnation. Hope all such will read Bro. H's article and have the scales removed from their eyes.

Prospects for church extension and a large ingathering of souls the coming winter are very encouraging. Bro. Irwin and myself have several outposts where we have been upholding the word of truth to the people during the summer. Soon as the convention is past we purpose by the help of God to set up the standard of the cross and enlist soldiers into the everlasting kingdom of Christ and with them fight valiantly against the hosts of sin and satan in Indiana.

L. W. DITCH.

#### Canaan, Ohio.

The members of the Brethren church at Canaan are few and scattered, and not having seen them for quite a while I do not know how they are coming on in their pilgrimage.

Of course the readers of the EVANGELIST are all aware that we are unorganized. Hence we do not meet to worship together.

If I had a voice that could be heard from Maine to California, I should use it in saying unto the brethren, come over to Macedonia (Canaan) and preach salvation unto us.

Last spring we were just as glad and thankful as we could be that brother P. J. Brown and brother Kiefer were so grateful as to give us one sermon. At the close of the exercise, many expressed a desire that brother Brown come again in the near future and preach. I believe he agreed to do so at any time he could when an invitation would be given.

I am requested by the sexton of the M. E. church to invite Bro. Brown to come and preach us another sermon at the earliest possible date. I understand the church can be had on almost any Sabbath evening. Will brother Brown please notify us either by letter or through the column of the EVANGELIST when he can be here? His other sermon was highly appreciated by the people, and ever since there has been a general desire manifested to hear the word again as taught by Bro. Brown.

As for myself I did not care to speak to any one about the sermon. I felt that it was so full of the everlasting wisdom and eternal glory of God that I felt as though I could not do any thing but take it to my own heart, and there muse and meditate over the height and depth of God's everlasting wisdom and mercy to mortal man. To my soul it was such a feast as I had

not fed upon for a long time, and the language of my heart was amen, thank God for such an everlasting salvation and eternal deliverance from the bondage of sin, brought about through the everlasting wisdom of God and the atoning blood of Jesus Christ.

Now then Bro. Brown, will you please come and preach to us again? and come soon.

J. B. YODER.

Aug. 28th, 1887.

#### Dallas Centre, Iowa.

Every brother and sister should remember the power there is in fervent prayer. The time is drawing near for our long-looked-for convention. Is there one brother or sister who is not praying God to direct every thought for the good of our church? Oh may those who are engaged in the work feel the responsibility resting upon them. Dear brother and sister, who remain at home, let us remember there is a work for us. Our prayers may cause those assembled to feel that the room is filled with the Holy Spirit of God, as of a mighty rushing wind.

Brethren and sisters who are isolated, this meeting is for your benefit. Therefore we beseech you to pray earnestly. Let us stand fast in the liberty where-with Christ hath made us free.

Three more members have united with the Dallas church, who resigned their membership in the German Baptist church. We look forward with a bright hope.

Finally, brethren, let us be strong in the Lord.

CLARA FLORA.

#### Alpena, Dakota.

Dear Brethren and Sisters:—I am pressed to drop a few lines for our dear paper. As we read it when it comes to our home in D. T., it brings tidings of joy to our lonely hearts. My prayer is to God that we may live faithful and some of our good brethren and sisters will move to D. T., so that we can have a good Church here. Oh how happy we would be. Come, some of you ministers where there are two of you. I do think if you were awake to this beautiful country and the grand crops we are having here this summer, you would come. The farmers here have fine crops of everything. This is a good place. We have good wheat, oats, barley and splendid corn. We can raise just as good corn here as in the eastern states. Some folks want to say Dakota is no corn country. We can say it is a good corn country. Do not stay away from D. T., brethren. Now is the time to come, when land is not so high. We have had good rains here all summer, just as we needed them. Thanks be to the Lord for his goodness to his Dakota children.

MINNIE E. BRENNAMAN.

#### Pure Communion Wine.

Please publish this receipt for preparing pure wine for communion purpose. It is good also to take for the "stomach's sake," as there is no poison in it.

Stew the grapes, press out the juice, strain and sweeten to taste, then seal hot as you would to preserve fruit.

I keep it on hand all the time and can supply adjoining churches if they want it. There is no reason why we should not use

this exclusively for communion service.

B. L. GORDON.

Middlefork, Ind.

Dear Brethren:—I see that in the EVANGELIST to day, that I made a mistake giving the population of our city. I intended to say 20,000 instead of 2,000. So you will please oblige me by correcting it. I am your friend and sister in Christ.

LAURA O. BROWN.

The women of the Presbyterian church in this country are said to have raised in the past sixteen years \$2,150,000 for missions.

#### Hon. C. C. Musselman

Died at his residence in Somerset, Pa., Sunday, 21st, of typhoid malaria fever. Mr. Musselman was the son of Mrs. C. Gnagey. Was self-made, energetic and progressive; a man amongst men. He was married to a daughter of Christy Saylor. They raised an interesting family of boys and girls. Mr. Musselman had for years been a consistent and worthy member of the "Dunkard" Church, but when he was called by the voice of his fellow citizens to serve his state as a legislator, he came in conflict with the foolish man-made mandates of the church. Afterward he was elected Associate Judge, which office he creditably filled, but it excommunicated him from the Church. He was in full sympathy with the Progressive Brethren and had intimated that he would join in with them. His wife and some of the children belong to the Brethren Communion. An interesting daughter aged about 22 years, died with the same fever, some ten days ago. Several more of the family are seriously ill. This sorely afflicted family have the sympathy of the entire community.

Truly Yours,

DR. BEACHLY.

(Pittsburgh Com. Gazette.)

Hon. C. C. Musselman, one of the prominent and substantial citizens of Somerset, Pa., died on Sunday, the 21st. Few men in the county were better or more favorably known. He was for several terms a prominent member of the State Legislature; afterwards for a term of six years he was one of the Associate Judges of the courts of Somerset county, at one time President of the Agricultural Society; he has ever since been the representative of the State Board of Agriculture, in which body he was recognized as one of its leading members. He took a great interest in the leading enterprises of the vicinity, and was one of the Directors of the Somerset & Cambria railroad. He was entirely a self-made man, and by his energy and intelligence had acquired a handsome competence. A few years ago he sold one of his farms and purchased a fine house on the outskirts of Somerset. He was cut down while still in the strength of his manhood. His stricken wife and children have the sympathy of the entire community. He was an uncle of J. J. Miller, Esq., of the Pittsburgh Bar.

LICHTY.—In the Pony Creek congregation, Brown Co., Kansas, Lela Lulla, infant daughter of Bro. and Sister A. M. Lichty, died July 11th, aged 6 months and 26 days. Lela was one of those little ones who fling their beauty on the vision and then vanish. She was like the morning glory, too tender to stand the glare of the noonday sun. She was too delicate a plant for this rough world, and the Heavenly Gardener took her home. Sermon by Bro. Warner and Jno. N. Burnworth.

DUBBLE.—Died, Aug. 21st, 1887, Lulu May, daughter of Bro. and Sister E. Dubble, aged 1 year, 1 month, and 22 days. Funeral services were held in the Baptist Church in Lanark, conducted by Z. T. Livengood and Elder Fornbrook of the Church of God.

#### The Ounce of Prevention.

The satisfaction of feeling safe from catching any disease from drinking water from impure air, from a sick person, from contact and foul clothing, infection or contagion from any source is complete and all anxiety allayed by the use of Darby's Prophylactic Fluid. A bottle will give more safety, comfort and confidence than all the doctoring in the world.